LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH – PLANNING DIVISION CULTURAL COMPETENCY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date:

February 9, 2011

Present:

Anahid Assatourian, Lupe Ayala, Roy Brown, Josh Cornell, Haydeh Fakhrabadi, Meri Ghazaryan, Gregory Hooker, Monika Johnson, Sandra Chang-Ptasinski, James Randall, Lisha Singleton, Adriana Valenzuela

Absent:

Ilda Aharonian, Kelli Blanchfield, Keren Goldberg, Sylvia Guerrero, Diane Guillory, Adrienne Hament, Kia

Hayes, Martin Jones, Naga Kasarabada, Ann Lee, Rose Lopez, Kumar Menon, Anna Perne, Ruby

Quintana, John Sheehe, Kimberly Spears, Karen Sprague, Albert Thompson, Patricia Lopez-White, Leticia

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Agenda Items	Comments/Discussion/Recommendations/Conclusions
Welcome & Introductions	Attendee introductions
Review of Minutes	January 12, 2011 minutes reviewed and approved.
Action items	 CCC members were asked to write quotes as to what it means to be a part of the CCC. Some of the questions that they needed to answer included: What does being a part of the CCC mean to you? Can we use your quote in Cultural Competency related documents? and Do you want your name to be included along with the quote? CCC members were also asked to think about the goals they would like to accomplish this year. They were asked to email their input in between meetings. CCC goals for 2011 will be discussed at the March meeting. The annual EQRO audit is coming up in April. Therefore, the EQRO auditing agency has asked to meet with the CCC members. So, there are two possible dates the agency has available, April 18 or April 21. The audit will consist of 4 possible areas that they will be looking at: quality, performance management, timeliness, and outcomes.
Updates	E-News: Jim presented content for our first E-News column for the CCC. CCC members were asked to give their input and feedback about the column. Haydeh suggested adding

	the mother's perspective of the story to the column. She thought it would be best to address the mother's feelings about coming to the clinic and incorporate more of what her thoughts were at that time. Haydeh also suggested adding something catchy like the upcoming holidays right after the title CC: Did you Know? Since it is African American history month, Gregory suggested adding a little column about Ralph Bunch. He thought that in this column we should talk about who Ralph Bunch was and what he did. Anahid suggested that in this column we should also talk about the different kinds of cultures so people do not interpret their actions the wrong way.
	 Cultural Competence Plan: The plan is almost finished and will be submitted at the end of the month in both hard copy and electronic.
	Use of Logo: In prior CCC meetings, one of the CCC members came up with a logo. The logo described is a circle of little hands in different colors around a grid-the human grid. Outside of this logo, it says Cultural Competency Committee. The idea of the logo is that it represents that we are unifying forces, we come from diverse backgrounds, and that we have a lot in common and should acknowledge that there is diversity. The issue with this logo is that it is already being used by P.E.I. Need to find other logo possibilities. Members were asked to send any logo idea they may have to the CC Unit. New logo possibilities received from members will be discussed at next meeting.
CC Trainings	Listed on Agenda
Next Meeting	 Wednesday, March 9, 2011, 1:30pm to 3:30 pm 695 S. Vermont Ave., 15th Floor Glass Conference Room

Respectfully Submitted, Saudea C. Hasmiski